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Attention: Box PATENT APPLICATION

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) for:

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Title METHOD FOR PRODUCING BRANCHED FATTY ACIDS USING GENETICALLY
MODIFIED PLANTS

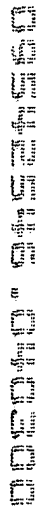
This is a Continuation of Application No. PCT/FR98/02116, filed October 2, 1998.

The application includes:

☒ Specification (30 pages), including claims (1- 29) and an Abstract (1 page)
☒ Formal drawings (9 sheets, Figures 1-9)
☒ Text of International Application, in French
☒ Translation Certification
☒ Cover page of PCT International Publication WO 99/18217
☒ International Search Report
☒ Preliminary Amendment
☒ The rights of priority are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on French
Patent Application No. 97 / 12368 filed on October 3, 1997

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| Basic Filing Fee (large entity = \$760/small entity = \$345) | \$ 760 |
| Total number of claims in excess of 20 (9 x \$18/9) | \$ 162 |
| Number of independent claims in excess of 3 (1 x \$78/39) | \$ 78 |
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